

To: The Honorable Mayor and City Council

From: Natasha Colebrook-Williams, Chief of Staff *NCW*

Date: March 24, 2015

RE: **FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
2015 TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES PROGRAM**

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Mayor and City Council approve the attached resolution ratifying the submittal of an application and authorizing the City Manager and City Attorney to negotiate and execute an agreement between the city of North Miami and Florida Department of Transportation for a grant from the Transportation Alternatives Program.

BACKGROUND

The Transportation Alternatives Program is primarily to fund projects that are non-motorized transportation. The requested funds will be used to create a pedestrian and bicycle friendly trail along NE 8th Avenue, connecting the Civic Center on 125th Street and the Arts, Culture, and Design District as detailed in the City's adopted Downtown Concept Plan. The requested grant is in the amount of \$1,000,000 with a match of \$404,500. The 2015 TAP grant is allocated to projects expected to develop between Fiscal Years 2017-2020. Funding is subject to the availability of federal funds and an annual appropriation by the legislature.

ATTACHMENTS

Resolution
Downtown Concept Plan Excerpt of NE 8th Avenue Green Trail

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI, FLORIDA, RATIFYING THE SUBMISSION OF AN APPLICATION AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER AND CITY ATTORNEY TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI AND THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (FDOT) TO SECURE A TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVE PROGRAM GRANT; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE AND FOR ALL OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the City of North Miami (“City”) have applied for a Transportation Alternative Program grant from the Florida Department of Transportation (“FDOT”); and

WHEREAS, the City requested funds in the amount of One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000.00) with a required match in the amount of Four Hundred Four Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$404,500.00) which will be generated by CRA funds; and

WHEREAS, the funds will be used to create a pedestrian and bicycle friendly trail along NE 8th Avenue, connecting the Civic Center on NE 125th Street and the Arts, Culture, and Design District as detailed in the City’s adopted Downtown Concept Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council wish to ratify the submittal of a grant application as well as to fully authorize the negotiation and execution of an agreement for grant funds between the City and FDOT.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT DULY RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI, FLORIDA:

Section 1. Ratification of Submittal of Application. The Mayor and City Council of the City of North Miami, Florida, hereby ratify the submittal of the City of North Miami’s application for the Transportation Alternatives Program Grant.

Section 2. Authority to City Manager and City Attorney. The City Manager and City Attorney are hereby authorized to negotiate and execute an agreement between the City of North Miami and the Florida Department of Transportation to obtain grant funds.

Section 3. **Effective Date.** This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by a _____ vote of the Mayor and City Council of the City of North Miami, Florida, this 24th day of March, 2015.

DR. SMITH JOSEPH
MAYOR

ATTEST:

MICHAEL A. ETIENNE, ESQ.
CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM
AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:

REGINE M. MONESTIME
CITY ATTORNEY

SPONSORED BY: CITY ADMINISTRATION

Moved by: _____

Seconded by: _____

Vote:

Mayor Smith Joseph, D.O., Pharm.D.
Vice Mayor Carol Keys, Esq.
Councilman Scott Galvin
Councilman Philippe Bien-Aime
Councilwoman Marie Erlande Steril, MSW

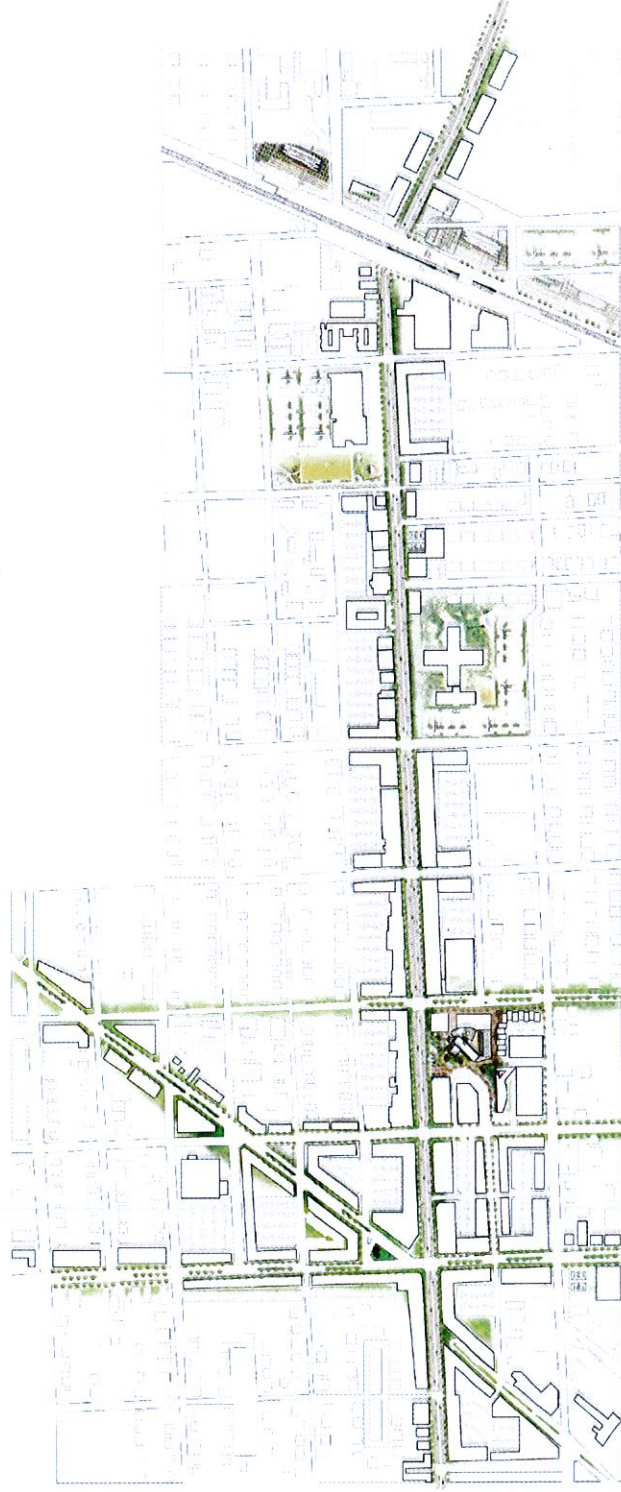
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City of North Miami Downtown Concept Plan

Excerpt showing NE 8th Avenue Green Trail

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Prepared by:



NoMi
Creating New Places
from Old Spaces





Key Civic Spaces

[7B] NE 8th Avenue Green Trail

Key Civic Spaces | NE 8th Avenue Green Trail | Description

NE 8th Avenue will connect the two largest civic complexes within the City. The southern terminus of the Trail would be at the MOCA/Civic Center (City Hall and Administrative) Complex. While the northern terminus would be at the Arts, Culture, Design District, North Miami Senior High School and the North Miami Public Library.

The redeveloped roadway segment would create a safe and attractive pedestrian and bike path between these two very important civic areas. Suggested enhancements:

1. Create new crosswalks with City-approved design scheme the length of the Trail.
2. Reconstruct sidewalks as necessary.
3. Reconstruct roadway and install decorative paving along NE 8th Avenue for the length of the Trail (approximately 175,000 square feet).
4. Install benches and waste receptacles.
5. Install distinctive lighting.
6. Install distinctive NoMi banners.
7. Add shade trees where needed for the length of the Trail (approximately 40 trees).

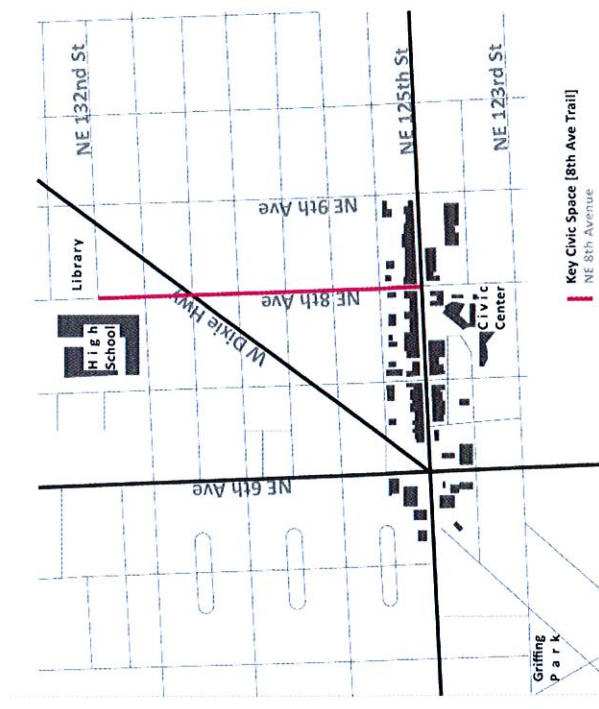


Figure 26. NE 8th Avenue Green Trail Location Map



Repave streets in brick pavers
and repave sidewalks in pavers
consistent with master plan

Add shade trees to fill in ROW

Add street lamps with
decorative bannners

Add decorative crosswalks along length of
street and improve safety of crossings

Figure 27. NE 8th Avenue Green Trail Bird's Eye



Existing Plan

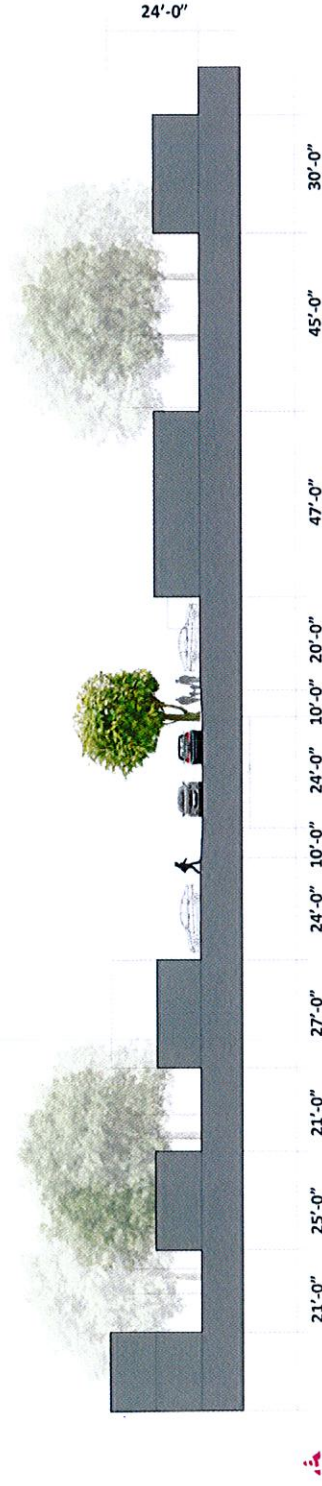
Figure 28. NE 8th Avenue Green Trail Plan

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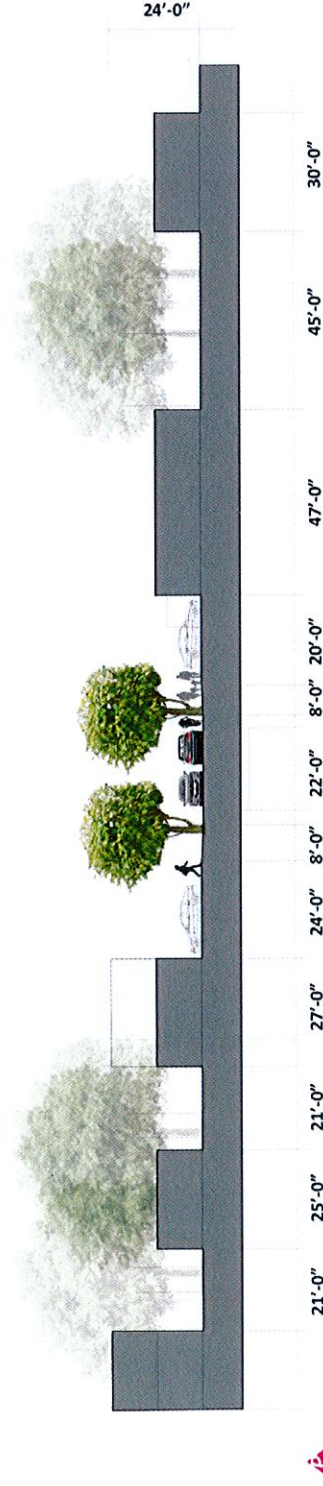


Proposed Plan

Key Civic Spaces | NE 8th Avenue Green Trail | Section



Existing Section



Proposed Section

Figure 29. NE 8th Avenue Green Trail Section

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